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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1614**

Attorney Docket No. 5573-124

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Whittle et al.  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004, it is respectfully requested that this application be considered in view of the following remarks. Applicants provide the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.